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1. The Federal Veterinary College of Erevan was built in the early 1930's. It was designed by the well-known Armenian architect Tamanian and is located north of Erevan in the section called "student town." This area includes also the Erevan medical school, the University of Erevan, the Polytechnic Institute, and the opera house. [See diagram.]
2. The main building of the Veterinary College is an imposing white granite structure of three stories, spherical in shape and having two wings which roughly parallel streets intersecting at the front entrance. The basement of the building, which has walls of black granite, houses the lecture rooms and laboratories of the anatomy department. The first floor contains the physiology and chemistry departments and an auditorium which seats about 500 persons. On the second floor are the administrative offices and the departments of microbiology, histology, and parasitology. The third floor is used for indoor games. All of the interior walls, except for the basement, are plaster and the floors throughout the building are smooth cement. The building is steam heated, as are all of the buildings of the Veterinary College, and well maintained by janitors and charwomen. There are three tile bathrooms on each floor. The building is fireproof and has only two entrances, front and rear.
3. To the rear of the main building are two smaller two-storied buildings containing the pathology and surgery departments. These buildings are constructed of the beautiful pink stone, very porous, known in the USSR as artick-tuff. The interior walls are plaster and the floors are smooth cement.

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4. Several blocks north of the main building are the two buildings comprising the School of Veterinary Husbandry, which is more or less a separate entity within the Veterinary College. One of these buildings contains the department of zoology and the other houses the laboratories and classrooms for various courses in animal hygiene and meat and dairy products inspection. These buildings are three-storied, constructed of artick-tuff, with cement floors and plaster interior walls throughout.
  
5. South of the School of Veterinary Husbandry are two four-storied dormitories each connected by a covered corridor to a two-storied mess hall and gymnasium building between them. All three of these buildings are of artick-tuff with plaster interiors. The mess building has the usual cement floors but the dormitory floors are wood and the dormitories, alone of all the buildings of the College, have fire escapes. The dormitories are divided into sparsely furnished rooms occupied by two or more students and each of the dormitories has both men and women students. The basement of the mess building contains the heating plant for itself and for the dormitories. The first floor is the dining room and the second floor houses a gymnasium furnished with the usual equipment and shared by men and women students. Charwomen look after the dormitories and the students are required only to make their beds in the mornings. The College has no central laundry facilities for the students who either wash their own things in laundry tubs provided for the purpose or take them to laundry shops in the area. Plumbing in the dormitories is modern and efficient, as it is in all the other buildings of the College.
  
6. The laboratory equipment in the College was very modern and wholly adequate in 1940, [redacted] The microbiology department provided each student with his own Zeiss microscope for the duration of the course. Laboratory coats were the property of the College but they were individually used by students. The equipment in the chemistry laboratories was very good and was partly of Western European and partly of Soviet make. [redacted] the laboratory equipment [redacted] it was very satisfactory and was kept in excellent condition.
  
7. In 1941 the streets in the area were paved with asphalt, except for the short stretch of unimproved road which intersected Nalbanian Street /see diagram/ at the front of the main building of the Veterinary College. Many of the students had bicycles which were useful in getting around the campus. One fellow managed to acquire a motorcycle during his senior year.

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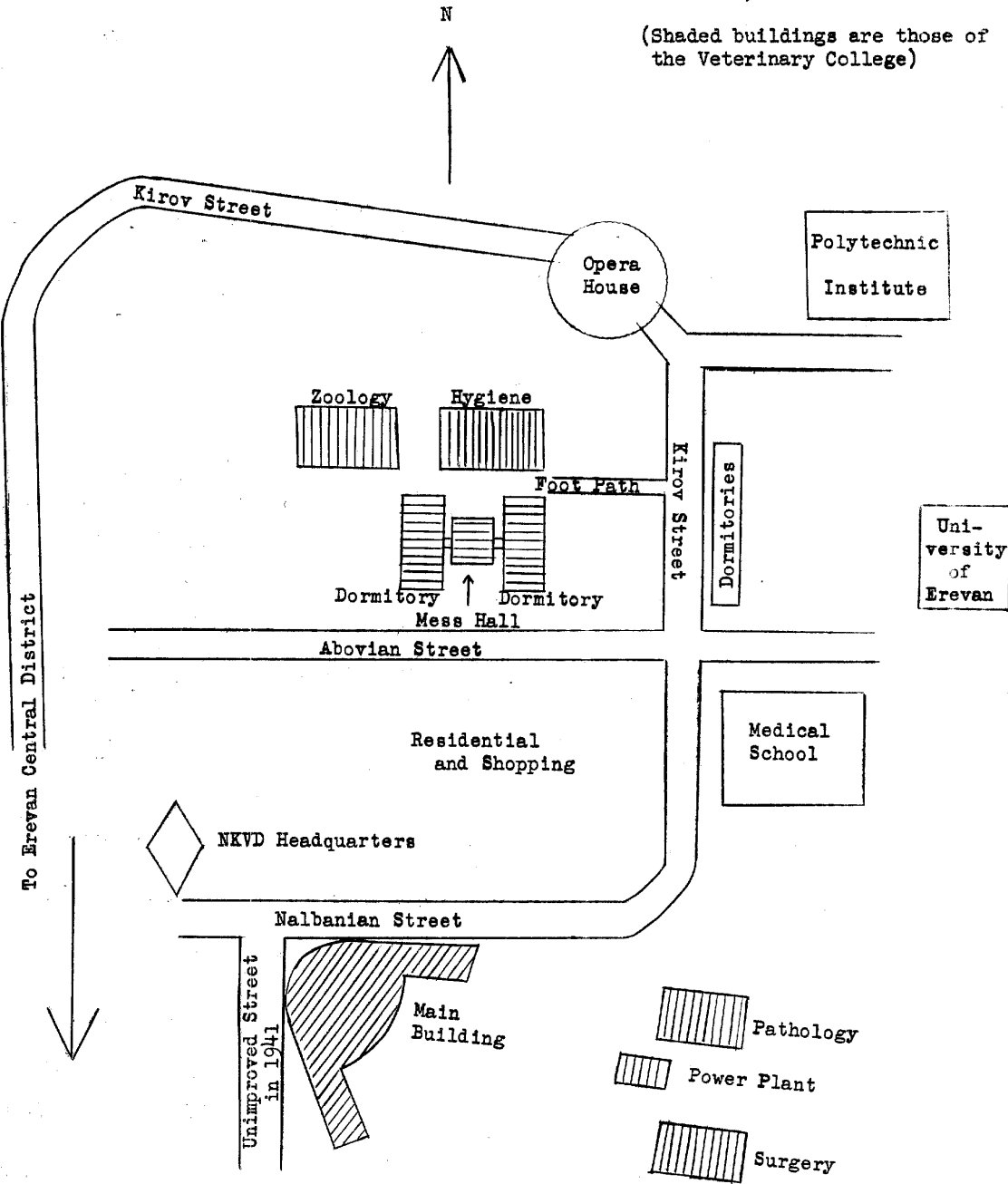
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THE FEDERAL VETERINARY COLLEGE  
OF EREVAN, ARMENIAN SSR

(Shaded buildings are those of  
the Veterinary College)



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